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House of Representatives

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 6, 1995, at 12 noon.

Senate

Monday, June 5, 1995

The Senate met at 10 a.m., and was called to order by the President protempore [Mr. Thurmond].

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie, offered the following prayer:

Gracious Father, Your loving kindness draws us to You. Your faithfulness opens our hearts before You, and Your omniscience motivates us to seek wisdom from You. We know that it is in a relationship of complete trust in You that revelation of Your will is released. You have called the women and men of this Senate to give dynamic leadership in a troubled, contentious, strife-filled world. National problems pile up and international issues intensify. Especially, we ask for Your guidance in the continuing discussion and vote on the antiterrorism legislation and for direction for the extent of our Nation's involvement in the crises in Bosnia. Grant the Senators a special gift of sagacity and strength.

May we all press on to the challenges of this week with the grateful memory of the decisive and visionary leadership of Margaret Chase Smith. Thank you, Father, for her life and courage. We seek to live this day with the same measure of devotion to You and commitment to excellence that she exemplified. So, today we will attempt great things for You and humbly receive great power from You. In Your holy name, Amen.

RECOGNITION OF THE ACTING MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The acting majority leader is recognized.

SCHEDULE

Mr. BURNS. Mr. President, the leader time has been reserved this morning, and there will be a period of morning business until the hour of 11 a.m., with Senators allowed to speak for up to 5 minutes each.

At the hour of 11 a.m., the Senate will resume consideration of S. 735, the antiterrorism bill. The majority leader has announced there will be no rollcall votes prior to 5 p.m. today.

Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. DORGAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. DEWINE). Without objection, it is so ordered.

MORNING BUSINESS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, there will now be a period for morning business with Senators permitted to speak therein.

The Senator from North Dakota is recognized.

AMERICAN TROOPS IN BOSNIA

Mr. DORGAN. Mr. President, this morning I want to talk briefly about two subjects in morning business.

The first is the issue of Bosnia. I believe that President Clinton has made the right decision in the last couple of days with respect to the introduction of American troops into Bosnia. I know there was discussion by the White House and others about the potential of committing American troops under certain circumstances, particularly if United Nations peacekeepers need to redeploy within Bosnia. However, in the last few days the administration has been saying that they have no intention of introducing American troops into Bosnia under that circumstance.

Frankly, I think the moving of United States troops to Bosnia would be a very serious mistake. It is true that the war in Bosnia is an international tragedy. It is also true, I think, that sending American troops to Bosnia will do very little, if anything, to resolve that tragedy. This country's support of the efforts by the United Nations in Bosnia has been significant. It has included flyovers and logistical support and other things. We should continue that kind of support. But I think the support should not include the sending of American troops to Bosnia. I believe it poses enormous risks to our troops and our country with the potential of very few gains for Bosnia.

We should expect, I think, that the Europeans, through NATO, will play a significant role in responding to the issue of Bosnia. It is not as if this issue does not matter and it is not as if our country should be isolationist. We are not isolationist, and what is happening in Bosnia does matter. But under the term of internationalism, it ought not

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